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Doyle Launches Initiative with State Labor Department to Connect Local Employers to Area Job Seekers

County Executive Jack Doyle and the New York State Department of Labor, Finger Lakes Region, today announced the launching of a joint effort to encourage local employers to utilize the Department of Labor's Job Bank System. The initiative is designed to make it faster and easier for local employers who are hiring to connect with area job seekers.

"The Department of Labor's Job Bank System is an important resource that helps connect employers to the people who are looking for work," said Doyle. "By expanding the number of participating employers, we will make it easier for local companies to find the high-skilled workers they are looking for. At the same time, those looking for work will benefit by having easier access to job opportunities."

Doyle, who proposed more attention to job training and placement issues as part of his JOBSFirst initiative, praised Governor Pataki for his efforts to expand and improve the services offered by New York State. "We are committed to working closely with Governor Pataki, the State Department of Labor, and other local agencies to strengthen job training and placement services," said Doyle.

In a series of mailings, Doyle and the New York State Department of Labor are sending a letter to several thousand local employers to encourage them to take advantage of the State Department of Labor's Jobs Bank/Talent system. At no cost, employers can access the Department of Labor's database of available, well-trained and experienced people, as well as other free services to increase their productivity.

State Labor Commissioner Linda Angello said, "New York State's Job Bank provides businesses with an ideal opportunity to expand their workforce and enables them to find the right match for specific job openings. Governor Pataki, the Labor Department and Monroe County are dedicated to informing businesses about the New York State Job Bank and encourage the use of this excellent resource to help ensure future economic growth in Rochester."

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